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are important in direct ratio to the frequency, accuracy and scope of their coverage in each country. Thus, they are by far our most important source for East Germany in that they not only provide much data not otherwise available but also are generally more current than the open press. Examples of types of

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that have been particularly valuable are:

Metallurgical Production and Import Plan Fulfillment,

Planned and Achieved Steel Production, Import and Allocations, and
series reports of the type of the et seq. giving the

series reports of the type of the Brandenburg Steel Plant.

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on the steel industry in all other Bloc countries is much less important simply because there is much less of it. However, even in the case of the USSR, which publishes more usable information on the industry than other Bloc countries, important gaps exist and have been the sources of significant information on specific subjects. Most of these have been in the form of reports

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and have been concerned with trade as well as with technological subjects.

3. Since the referenced memorandum does not appear to solicit suggestions for an improvement in clandestine reporting, none are being offered.

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